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Read the following:-

G.O.Ms.No.130, Home, dated 11-1-1950.
G.O.Ms.No.257, Home, dated 20-1-1950.
From the Government of India, telegram dated 20-1-1950 and Circular No.13546, from the Ministry of Defence.

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O R D E R:

The Government of India have decided that special remission on the following scales shall be granted in respect of convicts of armed forces in honour of the inauguration of the Indian Republic on 26-1-1950.

2. Prisoners who have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment of more than 10 years or transportation for life shall be released previded they have served a term of at least 5 years inclusive of remissions previously earned.

3. Prisoners sentenced to imprisonment up to a term of 10 years will be released provided on 26-1-1950 ~~max~~ they have served half the sentence inclusive of remissions previously earned.

4. Prisoners sentenced to a term of imprisonment of 3 months or less will have the whole of the unexpired portion of their sentence remitted and they will be released on 25-1-1950.

5. The special remission sanctioned in the foregoing paragraphs will not be admissible in the case of the following classes of prisoners:-

(a) prisoners convicted of robbery, dacoity, assual on or employment of criminal force to a woman with intent to outrage her modesty, effences under sections 359 to 377 of the Indian Penal Code, exterting confession and abatment of and ~~attemtp~~ attempt to commit such offences mentioned above;

(b) Prisoners convicted of murder or attemtp to commit murder or abatment of murder;

(c) Prisoners convited of an offence involving a breach of Jail discipline or the Jail rules. This exclusion would apply only to the sentiece for this particular effence, the original sentence under which the prisoner is being detained would be dealt with as laid down in the rest of these instructions.

6. Prisoners not eligible for release under the above paragraphs will be granted special remission on the following scale;

(i) These under seatences of imprisonement for a period of 3 months or less but who will not have served out half their sentence on 26-1-1950 shall be granted remission of half their sentence;

(ii) Prisoners under sentences of imprisonment for a period of mere than 3 months but not more ~~less~~ than one year will be given a special ~~pax~~ remission of ¼th of their sentence but in no case less than 1½ months;

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(iii) Prisoners under sentices of imprisonement for a period of more than one year will be granted a remission at the rate of 2 months for each year of sentence.

7. Sentences to death will stand but no condemned prisoner shall be executed on the 26th or 27th of January 1950.

8. The Inspector General of Prisons and District Magistrates are requested to issue immediate instructions to the Superintendents of Jails and of sub-jails and see that all those who are eligible for release under the scheme are released on 25-1-1950 without fail to enable them to take part in the Republic Day Celebrations on 26-1-1950.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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Secretary to Government.

To The Inspector General of Prisons
To The Superintendents of all Central Jails, and Special Sub-Jails.
To All District Magistrates.
To The Inspector Geneal of Police.
To all District Superintendents of Police.
To The Commissioner of Police, Madras.
To The Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court, Madras.
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Copy to the Madras Presidency Discharged Prisoners Aid Society (Goschen Home), Taynampet, Madras.
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